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RUSSIAN PEASANT WOMEN.

The peasant women are particularly interesting. They are a race of who are, on the whole, a tall, somber- the saving "A cat has nine lives," may looking set. There is, of course, the interest the cut lovers of Truth, peasant dress, which is worn uniformy. It consists of, first, the sorotchka, or embroidered shirt; the sleeves other black cats of similar size and alone are embroidered with fancy patterns in red and blue, and a woman counts it a disgrace to wear other work than her own. Then the skirt or petticuat (spodynitza) is of red or | York and Bermuda, I had just marblue cloth; and over all is a sleeveless | ried, and, not having too much of this jacket, often of black. When outside, world's goods, my wife and myself they wear a cont over the whole. The concluded to combine business with manner of adorning the hair is peculiar, and, unlike the fashion of this on my own vessel. My wife was very country, conveys a special signifi- young, and, leaving home for the first

round the head, and over this a shawl is simply thrown; while the married let her take Tom along as a sort of women do their hair in one plait connecting link with home, as she exwhich falls down the back beneath pressed it. So my mother, after many the sorotchka, and on their heads charges to us to be careful of him and they wear a shawl of black and mauve, advice as to his treatment in case he which is manipulated into a very ef- fell ill, gave her consent, and Tom fective headdress. There is surely a correspondence here to the coif and snood of older Scotland. In Russia the married peasant women do not remove the shawl from the head, whether out of doors or inside Jack boots complete the outfit of these hardy women. They are evidently very fond of jewelry, and they spend (for them) large sums of money upon it. I saw, for example, a peasant girl who was worth 350 roubles, and she carried 50 of them round her neck in the form of coral and amber necklaces and silver lockets .- Blackwood's Magazine.

A PUZZLER FOR POOR PA.

Inquisitive Youngster Proved One Too Many for His Father.

"Pa, you know-"

"No, I don't." "Don't what, pa?"

"Don't know the answer to what ver question you are going to ask.

"Why, you don't know what I am going to ask, do you, pa?"

"No, of course not." "Then how do you know you don't

know what it is?" "I don't know what it is that I don't

know; but all the same I know I don't know it.

"But, pa, if you don't know what it don't know, it seems to me that you a saucer of milk that was placed bedon't know whether you know or fore him, just as if nothing at all had don't know, and-

"I know I don't know, simply because I don't know the answers to any of the outlandish questions that your prompting you to ask." "But pa-

'An, well; ask your question and be done with it. What is it that you want

"Why, I-I don't know. You've made me forget it."-Tit-Bit-.

SOME FRENCH STATISTICS.

France and the Immigration of Foreigners.

In France, says Le Chasseur Fran-

cals, there are 1,130,241 foreigners, while in foreign countries there are but 517,000 Frenchmen. The Europeans of various nationalities residing in France number 1,112,072; there are, on the other hand, but 217,-000 Frenchmen dispersed through Europe. Of Belgians, 465.810 have emigrated to France; only 52,000 Frenchmen have settled in Belgium. The hospitality of France is accorded to 286,042 Italians, while in Italy Send Soncit Your Patronage there are only 11,000, Frenchmen. Of Germans there are in France 83,333; the number of Frenchmen living in Germany is 24,000. France has within its borders 14,337 Russians; but in Russia itself there are but 5,200 Frenchmen. The number of Austrians in France is 12,000; the number of Frenchmen in Austria, 3,000. For Spain and Switzerland the figures are more nearly equal. There are 77,ood Spaniards in France and 25,000 Frenchmen in Spain; 83,111 Swiss in France and 54,000 Frenchmen in Switzerland.—Scientific American.

Dog Uses the Telephone.

No one can now say that the telephone is not up to date. A lady passenger who arrived at Redhill by train reported that her little pet dog had been left by accident on the platform at Reigate. The courteous official telephoned through respecting the poodle, and the answer came immediately that a dog of that description had. Prussian loss was 21,000 out of 105,just been brought to the police sta- | 000 men, and on the French side 19,tion. The receiver was put to the dog's car and the lady was asked to in five. At Eylan the Russians lost speak to it. She did so. The effect | 25,000 out of 73,000 and the French was electrical. The dog barked a cordial recognition of the voice, and by its antics expressed a great desire to jump into the apparatus and traverse the wire in order to get to its | 100,000. mistress all the sooner.

Long-Distance Skating.

A TRUE CAT STORY.

Way They Wear Their Hair Indicates Pussy's Mysterious Survival of a Shipwreck.

The following true story of the remarkable homecoming of our pet cat mall, bright-looking women, present | Tom, under circumstances so peculing a striking contrast to the men, par as to make one indeed believe in

> Tom is a very black cut with green eyes, his distinguishing marks from eolor being one lop car and a peculiarly-shaped sear on the right hind leg.

Several years ago I was captain of a sailing vessel trading between New pleasure by taking our wedding trip time in her life and having a great The unmarried women do up their fondness for animals, and more eshair in two plaits, which are bound pecially for Tom, our family cat, she begged permission of my mother to went with us.

As we were nearing the island of Bermuda we were shipwrecked. In the excitement Tom was forgotten. Just as we were about leaving the ship, having had to take to the boats, we thought of him. Remembering I had last seen Tom curled up on our berth, asleep, and as I knew how badly mother would feel if he were lost, I rushed back to our stateroom to get him; but we were forced to leave him to his fate, as he had disappeared.

As this story is about a cat and not about ourselves. I will not dwell on our adventures, but simply state that we reached Bermuda and returned to our home in Brooklyn after an absence of about three weeks.

Now here comes the remarkable part of the story. On arriving home and being welcomed by my mother, what was our astonishment to see seated in his favorite corner by the sitting-room register-our cat, Tom, lop ear, scar on right hind leg-the identical cat we had left three weeks before on a sinking vessel, miles from land.

We were informed by my mother that a week previous to our arrival home Tom had walked into the house much travel-worn and about half starved, and, taking a look around at the familiar objects the room conis that you don't know, how do you tained, took his seat in his favorite know that you don't know? If you corner and proceeded calmly to drink happened.

How the cat escaped from the sinking ship, and, what is still more remarkable, how he found his way home peculiar inquisitiveness is forever over land and sea so many miles, will always be a mystery, but that he did do it there is no doubt .- Truth.

KAISER'S FIRST SEA TRIP.

How the German Emperor First Acquired His Taste for Yachting.

An eminent nautical authority relates how the kaiser and his brother. Prince Henry, first acquired the germs of that passion for the sea which has had so potent an influence over their lives. In 1871 Crown Princess Frederick took her two elder bays for a change of air to Wyk, a primitive little bathing place on the Schleswig coast. Just at that time Herr Wentzel, of Hamburg, had built for himself a 60-ton vawl, the first scagoing craft that ever flew the pennon of the Nord-Deutscher Regatta Verein. While cruising in the North sea he anchored the yacht one day off the fishing village, and the two young princes, who had never enjoyed a near view of such a vessel, displayed a keen interest in all that concerned it. This came to the owner's knowledge, and over his yacht and take them out for a sail. Their mother graciously gave her consent, with the result that Wilhelm and Heinrich had such a treat as had never been thrown in their way before. For they were kept very strictly to their work as lads, and their pleasures were purely of the domestic order. For months they talked of bronchial and throat affections. nothing but this experience, and the highest flight of their ambition was to to World's Dispensary Medical Aspossess a yacht.—Vanity Fair.

Loss of Life in War.

As showing that war is no longer so murderous as it was in former years. the loss of life at some of Napoleon's great battles may be mentioned, and the loss of the dervishes at Omdurthe losses incurred at these gigantic more than father. struggles. At Jena, for instance, the ooo men, and on the French side 19,-000 out of 90,000 engaged, about one in five. At Eylan the Russians lost 25,000 out of 73,000 and the French 30,000 out of 85,000, a proportion of ram the Austrians lost 25,000 out of Aud-reon & Fowler. 100,000 and the French 23,000 out of

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